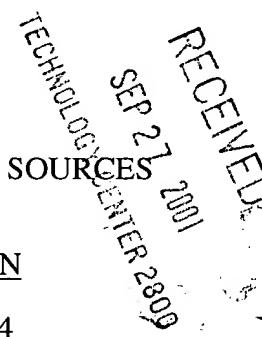
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6 FOR EXTERIOR VEHICULAR LIGHTING7 AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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10 TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

11 In response to the Office Action dated August 15, 2001, applicants request that the above-
12 identified application be amended as set forth below and that the Examiner reconsider the
13 application in view of these amendments and the Remarks that follow. A clean version of the
14 amendments is shown below; a marked-up copy of the amendments follows this response and is
15 entitled MARKED-UP VERSION OF THE AMENDMENTS.16 CLEAN VERSION OF THE AMENDMENTS17 AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS18 In the Claims:19 Please amend Claims 1, 13, and 23 as follows:20 1. (Amended) A flexible vehicular light source adapted to mount on and conform to a shape
21 of an external surface of a vehicle and to emit light that provides illumination of a surface over which
22 the vehicle is traveling, indicates an intention of a driver to turn or stop the vehicle, and/or provides
23 an indication of a location of the vehicle, said flexible vehicular light source comprising:24 (a) a flexible substrate having a rear surface and a front surface, and including a
25 plurality of flexible conductive traces, said plurality of flexible conductive traces being adapted to
26 connect to an electrical system of a vehicle to receive an electrical current therefrom;

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